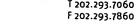
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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of Soichiro KATO and Masaru AKIYAMA

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MOTION APPARATUS Assignee: NSK LTD. Our Ref. Q79819

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising ninety-eight (98) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, thirty-four (34) sheets of drawings, a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified).

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims Independent claims Base Fee	<u>21</u> - 20 <u>5</u> - 3	=	1 x x	\$18.00 \$86.00	=	\$18.00 \$172.00 \$770.00
TOTAL FILING FEE Recordation of Assignment						\$960.00 \$40.00
TOTAL FEE						\$1000.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$960.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.



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Japan	2003-032456	February 10, 2003
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The priority documents are submitted herewith.

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